

**RUSHVILLE PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING TUESDAY FEBRUARY 8,
2011 AT 6:15 P.M.**

OPENING: The regular meeting of the Parks & Recreation Board was held on Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 6:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 270 W. 15th Street. President Denny Corn called the meeting to order.

Board members present: Denny Corn, Steve Sickbert, Anna Karen Pennington, Liz Crain, Dave Malson, and Sue Otte. Also present were Parks Director, Danny Mathews and Secretary Paula Shelton.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Anna Karen Pennington to approve the minutes from the December meeting and it was seconded by Dave Malson. Motion carried and approved. There was no meeting in January due to the wintry weather.

NEW BUSINESS: Alan Leising and other members of the Youth Baseball League were present to give some recommendations for the little league diamond on the west side of town. Larry and Ruby Welter presented to the board members a copy of a plan/map of the ball diamonds. They said they would like to change one of the streets to a one-way street just while games are being played. Board member, Steve Sickbert made a recommendation of a one-way street to the rookie league field and he said this would be a huge help to the players and parents for their own safety. A motion was made by Steve Sickbert to accept the plans/map that was presented to the board and it was seconded by Dave Malson. Motion was carried and approved.

Another suggestion was presented to the board about moving some the play ground equipment at the ball diamond, to another location at the park, so people attending the games would have a place to park. The long range plan is to see about closing the streets at the ball diamond permanently and have the people park elsewhere and walk to the ball diamonds. There would have to be paved handicapped accessible parking places available. The first game is April 24, 2011. The baseball league thanked the board members for their consideration in this matter.

REPORTS: Danny Mathews, Parks Director, reported that the annual Valentine's Day dance will be held on Friday, February 11 at the Middle School from 6:00-8:00 p.m. He has received several donations from the local businesses and if you can chaperone it would be greatly appreciated. He also stated they have been clearing a lot of snow and doing some wood chipping. He is going to see if he can use some of the inmates from the Sheriff's Dept. to help with picking up branches and limbs from the recent ice storm.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There was none

CLAIMS: A motion was made by Liz Crain to approve the claims and it was seconded by Dave Malson. Motion carried and approved.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m. Next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 6:15 p.m. at the Council Chambers.

Denny Corn, President_____

Steve Sickbert, Member_____

Anna Karen Pennington, Member_____

Liz Crain, Member_____

Sue Otte, Member_____

David Malson, Member_____

Paula Shelton, Secretary_____